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- 1. WE STRONGLY OPPOSE ATTEMPT BY MACBRIEN TO CONCENTRATE EFFORTS TO CO-LOCATE NATO HEADQUARTERS WITH NICSMA AT EVERE FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:
  - 1. IT IS CONTRARY TO MILITARY JUDGMENT AS OUTLINED IN THE MEMORANDUM FROM CHAIRMAN, JCS QUOTED IN STATE 15123.
  - 2. IT TENDS TO LEND SUPPORT TO DECISION TO LOCATE SECRET

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NICSMA AT EVERE AT A TIME WHEN WE ARE NOT PRE-PARED TO IMPLY IN ANY WAY ACCEPTANCE OF THIS SOLUTION. FYI: IN THIS CONNECTION, IT MAY BE INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT GEN. LOTZ TOLD MR. REHFELD IN A PRIVATE CONVERSATION THAT HE WOULD CONSIDER IT PREFERABLE TO LEAVE NICSMA WHERE IT IS, RATHER THAN RELOCATE IT TO THE EVERE SITE. END FYI.

- 3. IT WOULD BE EXPENSIVE SOLUTION AS INDICATED IN PARA 2 D OF REF, WITH NO VALID JUSTIFICATION FOR THIS EXPENDITURE.
- 4. DECISION TO BUILD SHAPE AND IBERLANT HEAD-QUARTERS HAS NO BEARING ON MATTER. WHILE IT MAY BE JUSTIFIED TO CONCLUDE THAT IT IS PREFERABLE TO BUILD WAR HEADQUARTERS FOR MILITARY, BECAUSE RELOCATION AT A GREAT DISTANCE IS UNACCEPTABLE, THIS DOES NOT NECESSARILY APPLY TO CIVILIAN HEADQUARTERS.
- 2. MISSION SHOULD TAKE POSITION IN ALL APPROPRIATE COM-MITTEES THAT WE ARE NOT PREPARED AT THIS TIME TO APPROVE EXPENDITURES OF FUNDS TO EXPAND NICSMA FEASIBILITY STUDY TO INCLUDE RELOCATION OF NATO HEADQUARTERS. ROGERS

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